To be adopted:

Proposed Changes to Riverside Regulation 6.6.1

PRESENT: Students who elect a double interdisciplinary major may apply courses in one of the two majors toward satisfaction of R6.2, R6.3, R6.4, or R6.5.

PROPOSED: Students who elect a double major may apply courses in one of the two majors toward satisfaction of R6.2, R6.3, R6.4, or R6.5.

JUSTIFICATION:

The proposed change is intended to acknowledge the breadth of courses taken by students who pursue interdisciplinary majors. As background, regulation R6.6 states that “courses outside the major discipline, but required for the major, may be applied toward satisfaction of these [Breadth] requirements. (Am 2 Jun 83; 25 May 89) (Am 30 May 96) (Am 29 May 97)” Consequently, a student in such a major can apply courses from more than one department toward Breadth requirements. As currently written, R6.6.1 places greater restrictions on interdisciplinary majors by allowing courses from only one department to be applied toward Breadth requirements. This restriction does not acknowledge that students in interdisciplinary majors take a greater breadth of courses than students in more traditional majors. The proposed change to Regulation R6.6.1 would recognize the nature of interdisciplinary without in any way compromising the breadth of a student’s education.

APPROVALS:

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